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The North Annville Township Board of Supervisors met at the Water Works Fire Hall at 7:30 p.m. on December 12, 2022 for the purpose of a regular monthly meeting. All members were present. Also present was: see attached attendance sheet in minute book.

Randy Leisure, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clyde Meyer, Vice-Chairman, made a motion to approve the November 14, 2022 meeting minutes as presented in printed form. Randy 2nd the motion, motion carried. Randy then made a motion to adopt the November 14 Treasurer's Report as presented in printed form. Clyde 2nd the motion, motion carried. Adam Wolfe, Secretary-Treasurer, read all the bills for the month. Adam made a motion to pay all bills as read. Clyde 2nd the motion, motion carried.

Next, Carol Hickey, Board Member and Vice-President, and Ron Birch, Board Member and Treasurer, conducted a presentation for the purpose of introducing the Lebanon Valley Conservancy (Conservancy). Working together, they stated that they are making presentations to all Lebanon County Townships in order to get their name out. The Conservancy was formed in the year 2000 and operates as a nonprofit land trust to establish, monitor and defend conserved lands in Lebanon County. Landowners can voluntarily donate conservation easements to the Conservancy, who then ensures that the easement is recorded in a deed and protected in perpetuity. The Conservancy also conducts a yearly inspection of the property after an easement is put in place. There is currently a total of 800,000 acres protected by conservation easements in Pennsylvania. Brian Tshudy questioned whether or not the Conservancy is similar to the Farmland Preservation Program, which is administered by the Lebanon County Agricultural Land Preservation Board, to which Ron replied that the Conservancy program is similar; however, the government pays landowners who decide to participate in the Farmland Preservation Program, while there is no landowner compensation for donating an easement to the Conservancy. Chanda Tshudy questioned whether or not the 800,000 acres in Pennsylvania all fall under the Lebanon Valley Conservancy, to which Ron replied that the 800,000 acres includes all of the Conservancies in Pennsylvania. Ron continued by stating that 20 property owners in Lebanon County have donated conservation easements to the Conservancy, for a total of 1,070 acres and the Conservancy is currently becoming more aggressive with recruitment. Benefits of donating a conservation easement to the Conservancy include recognizing the benefits of the outdoors, protecting habitat for various species and maintaining quality of life. None of the Conservancy's properties are currently open to the public; however, having the properties open to the public is a long-term Conservancy goal, especially since all but 1 or 2 of the Lancaster County Conservancy's 40 properties are open to the public. The Keck property on Clear Spring Road is the North Annville property which is participating in the Conservancy. The Conservancy also annually awards a \$2,500 scholarship for environmental study. The Conservancy is funded by grants and also does some fundraising in order to operate on a \$100,000 budget. Administrative personnel include a part-time executive director as well as an additional part-time employee. Carol and Ron concluded the presentation by stating that the Conservancy conducts tree planting programs twice a year. Brian Tshudy questioned the planting of the American Chestnut Tree, to which Carol replied that USDA approval must be obtained prior to the planting of bio-engineered trees.

For discussion pertaining to the potential purchase of a radar speed sign, Chief Farneski stated that the sign which the Township is currently using on a trial basis cannot display

messages other than the digital speed of the vehicle. The Township obtained quotes for two different models of signs and the next model up in terms of price and sophistication is the one that will display messages such as "Too Fast Slow Down." Discussion then centered on the \$1,500 cost of the data package, to which the Chief replied that the sign will work without the data option; however, wifi may be required in order to utilize the messaging function. Chanda Tshudy questioned whether or not the sign would automatically collect data, to which Randy replied that the sign will only collect data if the \$1,500 data package is purchased. Randy went on to state that PennDOT would accept data collected by the sign. Eric Brummer asked whether or not the sign can differentiate between cars and trucks, to which the Chief replied that it cannot and it is also not calibrated to be used for speed enforcement. Mark Blauch questioned whether or not the data package could be added at a later time if it was not purchased up front, to which Randy replied that we are not sure. Adam will work on obtaining answers to all of the questions which were posed with regard to the purchase of a radar speed sign.

For the police report, Chief Farneski stated that the Cleona Borough Police Dept. responded to 50 calls and 14 accidents in North Annville during the month of November. The driver in a hit-and-run accident was later caught. The Cleona Police Dept. intends to hire another full-time officer in March, which will bring them to a total of six full-time officers. The Cleona P.D. is currently waiting for aggressive driving grant money and will also have an automated license plate reader in their new vehicle. The automated plate reader comes at a cost of \$15,000 and will read plates and tell the officer if the individual is wanted or has a suspended or expired license or registration. Brian Tshudy questioned whether or not the plate reader will be able to read plates while the police vehicle is on the move, to which the Chief replied that it will have that capability but will mostly be utilized while the police vehicle is stationary. The Chief concluded by stating that license plate readers may soon be mounted on traffic signals along major routes in Lebanon County, with a definitive answer expected to come in January.

For an update on matters pertaining to Lebanon Solar I, LLC, Paul Bametzreider, Township Solicitor, stated that Dec. 2 oral arguments on the Township's Motion to Quash were postponed until January after Lebanon Solar's attorney called in sick. Lebanon Solar's attorney failed to appear at a status conference which was requested by Lebanon Solar, causing the Judge to issue an order that there will be no more status conferences until the Motion to Quash is resolved. Brian Tshudy questioned whether or not the Court will put up with shenanigans, to which Paul replied that the Court will likely tolerate these types of things for awhile.

Concerning the requirement to pump on-lot disposal systems (OLDS) in 2022, Randy stated that there are 801 OLDS in North Annville Township, 33 of which have not yet been pumped, which is an increase in violations compared to past pumping cycles. After discussion, it was decided that Paul will send the non-compliant property owners a letter giving them an additional 30 days to have their systems pumped voluntarily before the Township proceeds with having the systems pumped and holding the property owner responsible for the Township's costs and fees. Ben Bow questioned whether or not there are repeat offenders on the list, to which Randy replied that there are some repeat offenders. Brian and Chanda Tshudy stated that the pumping process does harm to an OLDS, to which Randy replied that the property owner is only required to pump the OLDS if an inspection determines that pumping is necessary based on the depth of the solids in the tank.

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For the status of the snow emergency route ordinance, Paul stated that he will have a revised draft completed before the January meeting.

For the status of a reimbursement agreement pertaining to the roundabout to be constructed at Clear Spring Rd. & North Route 934, Randy stated that he made it clear to DHL that we need a reimbursement agreement with indemnification and it was supposed to arrive last week. Paul stated that the Township will not take any action with regard to the roundabout project until the reimbursement agreement is received.

Next, Adam opened and read aloud Starner Excavating's \$125,100.00 bid for year 2023 snow plowing and cindering as well as road maintenance and repair. As it was the only bid received, Paul stated that the supervisors have the option of either awarding the contract or rejecting the bid, as only one bid is required. Randy stated that the line item rates in the bid seem reasonable and made a motion to award the contract for year 2023 snow plowing and cindering as well as road maintenance and repair to Starner Excavating. Clyde 2nd the motion, motion carried.

For the next item of business, Adam stated that the preliminary 2023 budget was publicly advertised and no comments were received; however, the following changes were made to the preliminary budget: The general fund starting balance was increased by \$5,000, \$1,200 was added to secretary supplies for the purchase of a new desktop computer, \$6,000 was added to traffic signs for the purchase of a radar speed sign and \$15,000 was added to highway maintenance for the surface treatment of curves on Clear Spring Rd. Adam then read the final version of the 2023 budget in it's entirety. Randy stated that the reason why expected disbursements exceed expected receipts is the anticipated release of the \$264,000 in American Rescue Plan Funds for the purchase of a Union Water Works Fire Co. fire engine. Adam made a motion to approve the 2023 budget as read. Clyde 2nd the motion, motion carried.

Randy proceeded to read the list of year 2023 meeting dates, times and locations. The supervisors will reorganize on January 3 at 6:30 p.m. and continue to hold regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. The Planning Commission will continue to meet at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month, the exception being January and September, when the meeting will be held on the first Tuesday. All Planning Commission and supervisor meetings will continue to be held at the Union Water Works Social Hall. The auditors will reorganize at 7:00 p.m. on January 4th at the municipal office. Randy made a motion to approve and advertise the year 2023 meeting dates, times and locations. Clyde 2nd the motion, motion carried.

Randy made a motion to approve the Bellegrove Fire Co. and Union Water Works Fire Co. year 2022 lists of volunteers who qualify for the Act 172 Earned Income Tax Credit. Adam 2nd the motion, motion carried.

For the road report, Randy stated that Alpha Space Control Co. has completed work on thermoplastic pavement markings at various intersections and the Township is still working on obtaining a Request for Proposals which would be used to solicit engineering proposals for a traffic study to be performed on Clear Spring Rd. Chanda Tshudy questioned whether or not there are stop ahead signs at the intersections where stop bars were recently added, to which Adam replied that there are stop ahead signs on the Township-owned road approaches to the most problematic intersections.

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No business was presented for the fire company report.

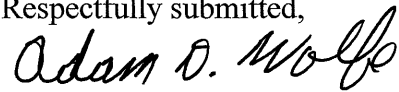
For the Planning Commission report, it was reported that the Commission is close to the completion of a draft firing range ordinance.

For the Zoning Hearing Board report, Randy stated that the written decision from the Lisa Blauch hearing has not yet been published.

For public comment, Steve Bowman questioned whether or not PennDOT will remove dead trees from utility wires along Route 934 north of Bellegrave. Mark Blauch stated that he was informed that PennDOT that they will not remove dead trees that are touching utility wires and/or located off of the PennDOT right-of-way.

There being no further business, Clyde made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Adam 2nd the motion, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam D. Wolfe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "W".

Adam D. Wolfe, Secretary

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Treasurer's Report:

Balance in State Fund November 14, 2022		\$580,567.99
Receipts: Fulton Bank (FB) MMA Interest	\$221.17	
FB GIC Interest	0.69	
PLGIT Interest	9.62	
PLGIT Reserve Interest	<u>20.45</u>	<u>\$251.93</u>
Balance after receipts:		\$580,819.92
Disbursements: none		
Balance in State Fund December 12, 2022		\$580,819.92

Balance in General Fund November 14, 2022		\$976,111.50
Receipts: Cleona Borough	\$394.20	
District Court	34.82	
Recorder of Deeds	3,013.50	
State Police Fines	845.28	
FB MMA Interest	343.23	
FB GIC Interest	15.98	
PLGIT Interest	49.94	
PLGIT Reserve Interest	5.04	
Keystone Municipal Collections	<u>18,513.51</u>	<u>\$23,215.50</u>
Balance after receipts:		\$999,327.00

Disbursements:

CK#: 5995 Comcast Cable	133.21	
5996 State Workers Insurance Fund	618.00	
5997 MediaOnePA	57.52	
5998 Leffler Energy	397.33	
5999 Leffler Energy	206.12	
6000 Pennsylvania American Water	39.38	
6001 Union Water Works Auxiliary	240.00	
6002 Stratix Systems	36.00	
6003 Borough of Cleona	6,083.33	
6004 Reilly, Wolfson Law Offices	2,988.00	
6005 Jonestown Ag Supply	22.63	
6006 Alpha Space Control Co., Inc.	2,190.00	
6007 Starner Excavating	825.00	
6008 PSATS	1,087.00	
6009 Adam Wolfe	94.85	
6010 Randall Leisure	43.93	
6011 Clyde Meyer	43.93	
6012 Adam Wolfe	1,265.01	
EFT Met-Ed	53.93	
EFT IRS	<u>452.75</u>	<u>\$16,877.92</u>
Balance in General Fund December 12, 2022		\$982,449.08

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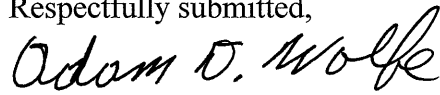
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Balance in Public Sewer Fund November 14, 2022		\$11,056.31
Receipts: none		
Disbursements:		
CK#: 186 Annville Township Authority	<u>\$1,278.91</u>	<u>\$1,278.91</u>
Balance in Public Sewer Fund December 12, 2022		\$9,777.40

Summary:

State Fund	\$580,819.92
General Fund	982,449.08
Escrow Acct.	3,402.65
Public Sewer Fund	<u>9,777.40</u>
Total all Funds:	\$1,576,449.05

Respectfully submitted,



Adam D. Wolfe, Treasurer